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HONGKONG, MARCH 11th 1909.

THE recent shindy in the Balkan Peninsula, for the contretemps really deserves no better name, affords a fair illustration of how very undignified may become the petty squabbles of civilised Europe. FRANCIS JOSEPH, the veteran Emperor of Austria-Hungary, now in his seventy ninth year, has naturally been seeking to shift as much as he could of the responsibilities of Empire on to the shoulders of the Heir, the Arch-Duke FRANCIS FERDINAND, and the Imperial Minister, BARON VON Aehrenthal. Delighted at being out of leading-strings, it seemed a fine thing to inaugurate their newly found freedom by some safe but noteworthy act. The House of Hapsburg, whose head is at once Emperor of Austria and King of Hungary, and the many dependencies of each, which are largely inhabited by peoples of Slavonic race, holds its huge possessions by a very complicated tenure, each of the three main races having its own peculiar constitution, and all three being intensely jealous of one another. Since 1878, by the decision of the Berlin Congress, the Austro-Hungarian monarch has been further entrusted with administration of the formerly Turkish provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Under the administration of the wise old Emperor FRANCIS JOSEPH, these provinces had made huge strides in wealth and general civilisation; and with the new home policy it seemed that the time and opportunity had arrived to unify the administration by formally amalgamating it with the Empire. There was nothing very alarming in the

idea, as for all intents and purposes Turkey had given up all claim to, or thought of, the reversion, and with a little diplomatic respect to her possibly tender susceptibilities on the subject, a few words might have arranged the whole. BARON VON Aehrenthal, Minister of the Imperial House, was however, the hero of the Salonica Railway schemes, wherein he had sought to carry out his own views without consultation with the other Powers; and though he found that on the whole the other Powers were favourable or indifferent, there was enough of uncivil talk to show that old jealousies were not extinct. Regardless of this the Minister resolved to carry out his new scheme, which entirely altered the international aspect of the occupation of the Principalities, with as little consideration for the public feeling of Europe and Turkey. The idea was, to say the least of it, not wise, but neither von Aehrenthal nor Europe had any reason to anticipate that it would have become the occasion for a regular Irish row. Now it happened that PRINCE FERDINAND, the ruling prince of Bulgaria, who owed his position to a similar mandate from the Berlin Congress, and who was so to speak administrator "on good behaviour," has for the last ten or twelve years been pulling at the skirts of European royalty to allow him to enter their society, and wear a crown on terms of equality; a claim which has always been rejected with a shrug and a smile. It seemed clear to him that if Austria could don the crown of Bosnia without remonstrance, he of Bulgaria, whom he thought equally good looking, had an equal right to change his headgear.

Meanwhile Serbia had on its own account been playing high jinks at home, had been murdering in a merry mood her worthless king, had been placed under *tutu* by the other sovereigns, and was smarting under the indignity. For her, too, the time seemed to have come that by deeds of exalted prowess she might receive the respect of her neighbours. Bulgaria had succeeded by sheer persistence in making the Powers acquiesce in her occupation of Eastern Rumelia, and Serbia could not be brought to see why by similar self-assertion she should not creep into Novi Bazar and northern Macedonia. She was a young nation that had not yet come to years of discretion, and in her young Crown Prince GEORGE, she had a second WINSTON CHURCHILL who kept goading her on to doubly deeds irrespective of consequences. Montenegro, too, though more mature, had a little grievance which she thought might as well be settled while the sun was on. Austria blocked her from her sea coast, and she would like Cattaro, a reasonable enough request if every one was to have a finger in the pie.

Only Turkey was left out, and as she would have eventually to pay the piper, it was not unnatural that she should protest to the signatories of the Berlin Convention to shield her from wholesale spoliation. Such was the little bit of fun that BARON VON Aehrenthal's unconsidered attempt to change his fee-far to fee-simple had raised in the Balkan tea-cup.

Now it is hardly saying too much to affirm that of the main points at issue, not only the public of Europe, but most of the governments were profoundly ignorant. A few well considered words at first would probably have prevented the subsequent effervescence, but where all were excited, and each bawling at the top of his voice, the still small sound of reason could not be heard for the din. Germany at one time by recalling her ally Austria to the facts of the case, and advising caution before exciting the worst passions of the new Balkan States, might have definitely stopped the agitation; but at the moment she rather fancied the hubbub; and when Sir EDWARD GREY suggested that as Austria had been placed in occupation of the principalities by the joint action of the Powers at the Berlin Congress, it was only right that before changing the tenure she should also get their approbation, he found that he had inadvertently touched her raw spot, the Divine Right of kings to do wrong. That France loyally joined England in the attempt to end the turmoil only increased the difficulty, for it was one of Germany's sorest grievances at the moment that France and England should have a joint policy in which Germany was, as she thought left out in the world. Such were the circumstances, creditable to none of the actors, that nearly plunged Europe into another Thirty Years War last year. There were absolutely no interests concerned of importance to any one of the Powers, the highest ambition of any one of them being the exchange of a cap of maintenance for a crown.

Nor was the gradual cessation of the hubbub brought about by any return to more rational modes of thought. Austro-Hungary, officially the Dual Monarchy, in

reality is compounded of three elements almost of equal moment,--Teutonic, Magyar, and Slavonic, each one carefully watching the other for any sign of temporary weakness. Pretty equally balanced, Magyar and Teuton have generally combined when the other became too aggressive, and in this case the largest Slav element in Austria itself was showing unmistakable signs of joining with Serbia in a Pan-Slavic demonstration. Austria had been talking rather too big, and had gone to the lengths of threatening hostilities. Of course state for state in war with Austro-Hungary Serbia would be no-where, but Austria at last began to recognise that however successful she were in the field, her most dangerous enemy was to be found, not in the field, but at home in her own large and united Slavonic population. When therefore England gravely proposed that the Powers should "admonish" both Austria and Serbia, the situation at once began to change with a rapidly almost ridiculous. Austria at once recognised that the admonishment, on a question of mistreatment of her Slav population, would tend to still further weaken their already strained ideas of allegiance. It would have been a repetition of the case of England when the Pope put King JOHN under an interdict. So Germany was invoked, and the Emperor, still strong in the doctrine of Divine Right, declined to agree. This opened the way for the acceptance of Russia's proposal that Serbia alone should be "admonished." What admonishment implies it is not worth while stopping to enquire, the threat seems to have been sufficient, so there is room for the hope that at last the symptoms are favourable to reason. So, it is to be hoped, has evaporated before serious harm has been done one of the most senseless "shindies" which has occupied Europe for two centuries.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed at Orissa against arrivals from Hongkong.

The Withers Concert Party give their final concert at the City Hall this evening.

The Hongkong Ice Co. Ltd are meeting competition by reducing the price of ice from this date to half-a-cent per lb.

Mr. E. D. C. Wolff, the Inspector of Schools, presides at the annual prize distribution at the Victoria British School at noon to-day.

The death is announced of Mr. E. Z. Holmes, a former resident of Nagasaki, and well known as a partner of Messrs. Holmes, Ringer and Company of Nagasaki.

At the Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening at 8 p.m., Dr. K. T. Ho gives a lecture on the subject "Infection and Prevention of the Plague." Men are invited to attend.

His Excellency Minister Yin Chang, accompanied by His Highness Prince Hsien Chang, son of Prince Su, were passengers by the German Mail steamer *Princess Alice*, for Germany.

The appeal issued by H.E. the Governor for donations towards the endowment fund of the proposed University in Hongkong has, we notice, been translated and published in full in *L'Avenir du Tonkin*.

A big exodus from the Colony took place yesterday by the *Princess Alice*. Among those who left for home were Dr. and Mrs. Jordan, Mr. Jensen, president of the Club Germania, the Hon. Mr. Ross Davies, K.C. and others.

A correspondent of the *Bangkok Times* says there is a good deal of activity at present in tin mining enterprises in the Mountains of Nakon Sritamarat and Chimporn. Chinese workmen are applying for mining licenses for very considerable areas there.

Private Hanson of the Bulls was brought before Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday charged with having assaulted a ricksha coolie. It was alleged that he tendered the coolie a cent in payment of his fare and when the coolie complained he hit him on the jaw, knocking out two of his teeth. The case was remanded.

The lesson of stamping receipts is still being taught in the colony. Yesterday at the Magistracy the comprador of the s.s. *Kwong Tai*, sailing between Hongkong and Wuchow, was fined \$20 for failing to stamp a ship's receipt for goods consigned to Wuchow, the value of which was only twenty cents. Detective Sergt. Murphy prosecuted.

The *Courier Saigonnais* publishes interesting figures showing how it stood with trade between Cochinchina and the Philippines in 1908. The Colony, that year, exported to the islands articles to the value of \$7,094,409, of which rice accounted for seven millions. The Philippine statistics show that imports there from the French Colony far exceeded in value those from the United States.

In spite of the denials in the Japanese Press of the coming betrothal of the young Crown Prince of Korea to a Japanese lady of high rank, the reports here that such will be the case are more emphatic than ever, says the *Korea Daily News*. It is said that the lady will be one of the Japanese Imperial family, and that the Korean Court Ladies who are now in Japan with Mr. Min Pyong Sok will be presented to her during their visit.

By kind permission of the Officers, the band of the 132 Rajputs, under Bandmaster Coke, will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, this evening (Thursday) (weather permitting):
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Lorley & Co..... 25
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Jorge & Co..... 5

Shanghai is to have "one of the finest Clubs in the Far East." So is Tokyo. Up to the present about 200,000 yen has been subscribed in cash for the new Tokyo Club, and the Club house, which is to cost upwards of 500,000 yen, will be situated on one of the best sites in the capital. Prizes of 1,500 and 1,000 yen are to be given for the best designs sent in. Architects all over the country are now at work and the competition will be keen. It is expected that the building of the Club house will begin in about six months and that it will be about eighteen months or two years before the building is ready for occupancy. In addition to the Club house, the gardens, lawns and tennis grounds around the Club will be most attractive.

The case in which the British-American Tobacco Company proceeded against Kan Tuk Kai, partner in and manager of the Chinese Brothers Tobacco Company, for falsely applying to packets of cigarettes marks resembling the trade mark of the defendants, has been amicably settled, the defendants having given an undertaking at the Magistracy to destroy all the trade marks, labels, wrappers and packets seized in the proceedings, with all facsimiles thereof, and agreed not to use nor apply nor cause to be used nor applied such trade marks, labels, wrappers, and packets like those seized. Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, who appeared for the prosecutors, said his clients were willing to withdraw the summons on such an undertaking being given and Mr. G. K. Holmes consenting for the defendants, the case was settled.

THE VISIT OF THE PHILIPPINE SQUADRON.

The American Consulate General communicates to us telegraphic information from Admiral Harber, commanding the Third Squadron of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, that he expects to arrive at Hongkong to-morrow evening instead of on Saturday morning as previously arranged.

The squadron comprises the cruiser *Charleston* (flagship), *Denver*, *Chattanooga*, *Galveston*, and *Cleveland*, and as it is some considerable time since American warships visited the port in such number, arrangements are being made locally for the entertainment of the officers and men. H.E. the Governor will invite the officers to dinner on the 16th inst. and dancing and card games will help to spend the evening. The details of the reception are not yet completed but we understand that Sir Paul Chater, who has taken the matter in hand, will call a meeting to arrange an adequate reception for the visitors, who are expected to remain here for a fortnight.

THE DOG IN THE MANGER AT DALNY.

It is reported, says the Japanese newspaper published at Dalny (Dairen), on the Japanese coast the place that applications for renting government land in Dairen have lately been quite numerous. They have mostly come from foreign and Chinese firms of Shanghai and other places, who seem anxious to set themselves up in business here. They have found, however, to their bitter disappointment that almost every piece of land worth renting in the whole of the town has already been let out to and is being held by certain speculators, leaving them no other alternative than to sublease the land from the latter. A good many fine lots remain in the grip of these speculators who are looking out for the first opportunity to sell their claims on the best terms obtainable. It is believed this state of things has roused the authorities to action and that they will take drastic measures to dislodge these "dogs" from the "manger."

CHINESE STUDENTS IN TOKYO.

According to an investigation made by the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Tokyo, the number of Chinese students studying in Tokyo last year was as follows:-

Kobun Gakkin, private	280
Koigakudo, private	207
Iwakura Totendo Gakko, private	166
Tobin Gakudo, private	45
Toyo Daigaku, private	4
Waseda University, private	820
Shinbu Gakko, private	180
Seijo Middle School, private	250
Koigakudo, private	13
Hosei Daigaku, private	300
Tokyo Higher Technical School, government	129
Imperial University, government	58
Higher Normal School, government	63
First High School, government	60
Tokyo Higher Commercial School, government	60
Chuo Daigaku, private	105
Dobun Shoin, private	150
Nihon Daigaku, private	10
Meiji Daigaku, private	700
Koto Shihan Fuzoku Chugaku, private	1
Tokyo School of Foreign Languages, government	8
Seisaku English School, private	300
Seisaku Gakko, private	44
Seisaku Yobiko, private	80
Total	4174
Students studying in Military School and in other Schools and with private teachers (Estimated)	1000
Grand Total	5174

TELEGRAMS.

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RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION IN CHINA.

SCATHING INDICTMENT.

LONDON, March 9th.

The "Times" publishes a letter from its correspondent at Peking condemning the conditions prevailing on the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ninpo railway. The terms of the British loan agreement, Dr. Morrison says, have been violated. The funds are being squandered and the interests of British bondholders are jeopardised. The line is being constructed by Chinese engineers, the bridges are unsafe, the rails of native manufacture, the sleepers of soft wood and wrongly laid and ballasted.

The Correspondent hopes that this will serve as a warning to intending investors.

THE U.S. EMBASSY IN JAPAN.

LONDON, March 9th.

It is reported at Washington that Mr. Oscar B. Straus, Secretary of Commerce and Labour, in the last Cabinet, has been offered the post of Ambassador to Japan, and that it is probable he will accept the appointment.

[We published a similar telegram on Monday from our Tokyo correspondent.]

DUTCH MINISTER TO PEKING.

LONDON, March 9th.

Jonkheer Beelaerts van Blokland, son of the late representative of the Transvaal in Europe, has been nominated Dutch Minister to Peking.

ATROCITIES ON THE CONGO.

LONDON, March 10th.

A Belgian lieutenant named Arnold has been sentenced to twelve years' imprisonment for atrocities committed by him in the Congo territory.

THE BALKANS.

LONDON, March 10th.

Questioned in the House of Commons [regarding the position in the Balkans, Sir EDWARD GREY, Minister of Foreign Affairs, said that communications had constantly been passing between the Powers with the object of promoting a friendly settlement, but negotiations were not sufficiently advanced yet to say when the Conference was likely to meet.

FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO." CHINESE CRUIERS TO VISIT STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

PEKING, March 10th.

On the recommendation of the Board of Commerce the Government has sent Wong Ta-ching, secretary of the Board of Agricultural Work, to go with the cruisers "Hoi Chak" and "Hoi Ying" on a cruise to the Straits Settlements to ascertain the trade and general position of the Chinese merchants there. The cruisers are to leave on the 11th instant.

NAVAL AND MILITARY.

The strengthening of the French Navy has recently been much discussed. The *Matin* says it has reason to believe that the Counsel Superior de la Marine will demand the construction of six new battleships, and that the necessary increase in the credits will not be more than 36,000,000 to 46,000,000 francs a year.

In regard to what is known as the "heavy gun-layers" test, which applies specially to the primary armament of the larger ships of the Fleet the official report shows that, on a comparison of the number of guns fired and the number of rounds with hits made, whereas in 1907 1,365 guns fired 9,538 rounds and made 4,073 hits, in 1908 1,277 guns fired 9,008 rounds and made 4,826 hits. From these figures it is manifest that while in 1907 there was an excess of 1,392 misses over hits, in 1908 the excess of hits over misses was 643, or a gain of nearly 2,000 in the aggregate. In the returns of the "light q.f. test" the progress is not less satisfactory, and in those of the "destroyer battle practice" the Admiralty note with great satisfaction the very marked improvement in the results as compared with those of 1907.

COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY.

The twenty-second annual meeting of shareholders in the above Company was held yesterday at the offices of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Company. The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson presided and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Messrs E. G. Barrett, A. S. D. Coatsland, J. W. C. Bonney, G. Friedland, C. S. Gubbay, W. Helms, H. A. Siebs, E. Shellin (directors), R. J. MacGowan (Acting secretary), Captain F. A. Brown, a. esq., F. Smyth, W. H. Wickham, H. Percy Smith, Ho Fook, A. W. Smith, A. Turner, Capt. Rolfe, A. Forbes, A. H. Onga, and W. S. Brown.

The SECRETARY having read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said--Gentlemen--The report and accounts having been in your hands for several days I propose with your permission to take them as read. You will probably have observed that the accounts are presented in a somewhat different form from previous years, bringing them into line with those of other Companies. Profit and loss account is debited direct with the amount spent during the year on repairs, which were unusually heavy, owing to the disastrous typhoon which visited the Colony in July, and to dredging operations having become necessary to meet the requirements of the larger vessels now berthing at the wharves. As you will see from the figures before you our total expenditure under these headings amounted to the very large sum of \$94,000. The balance of profit and loss account is \$81,055.57, from which your Directors recommend that \$50,000 be written off lighters. You will recollect that after the typhoon of September 1906, in which the Company lost all its wharves except one, a large number of lighters were built, partly to replace those lost in the typhoon, but principally to enable the Company to continue its business while the wharves were being reconstructed. The lighters, of course, cost more than they would have done in normal times, which explains why it is necessary to write off a large amount. The sum of \$953.11 which it is proposed to write off stores represents some old stock of gear, now practically worthless. The balance of \$30,102.56 it is proposed to carry forward to new account. For the first time in the Company's existence your Directors are unable to recommend the payment of a dividend. I do not think this will come as a surprise to any of you. It has been generally known that stocks of every description of cargo, and especially of yarn and piece goods, have been diminishing month by month. Two years ago over 150,000 bales of yarn were stored with us, and our capacity was taxed to the utmost. During last year the stock fell to 30,000 bales, and though we closed up the empty godowns and cut down expenses in every direction it has been impossible to make up for the loss in storage earnings, which amounted to \$124,000. Other earnings were less by \$25,000, on the other hand we reduced our expenses over \$40,000. The condition of trade, not only in this Colony but throughout the world, is so well known to all of you that I need not enlarge upon the effects which it has had upon our business, but before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be pleased to reply to any questions which you may wish to ask. Regarding the future, I may say that the accounts for January compare favourably with those of last year, and there are indications that an improvement in business is setting in, in which this Company may reasonably hope to participate. There being no questions.

The report was adopted on the motion of the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. PERCY SMITH, who, in doing so, said--I sincerely trust that the closing sentence of your speech may be the silver lining to a more golden cloud, that the metaphor is rather mixed, but I feel sure that in the near future when the railway is an accomplished fact we may hope for still better things. I sincerely trust it may be so. The appointment of Messrs. Barrett, C. S. Gubbay, J. W. C. Broderick and W. Helms to the board of directors was confirmed on the motion of Mr. WICKHAM, seconded by Mr. SMITH. Mr. TURNER proposed and Capt. ROLFE seconded the re-election of Messrs. Shellin and Coatsland to the directorate. Carried. Capt. BROWN proposed the re-appointment of Messrs. Potts and Gordon as auditors. Mr. SMYTH seconded, and the motion was agreed to. The CHAIRMAN--That is all the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:-

On the 10th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen quickly over W. Japan and the Loochoos, the depression, which continues to move Eastwards, having reached the former area.

Pressure has increased moderately over the E. coast of China and over N.E. Japan. It is now high over the latter area.

The wind will probably back to the N.E. again in the Formosa Channel. Moderate S. to E. winds may be expected along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:-

Hongkong & Neighbourhood. (*) N.E. winds, freshening.

Formosa Channel. Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooks. Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. Same as No. 1.

(*) S. to E. winds, moderate; foggy, some rain.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
BOCHENBLAE, British str., 2597, G. Mair, 10th March—Bombay 17th Feb. and Singapore 3rd March, General—Carlson & Co.
CHOYANG, British str., 10th March—Canton—HONGKONG, French str., 742, A. Cornelissen, 9th March—Haiphong via Ports 5th Mar., General—A. R. Marty.
KAMOR, Norwegian str., 949, S. F. Muns, 10th March—Haiphong 3rd March, Stone—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
KNIYBERG, German str., 646, Honk, 9th March—Pakhoi 6th and Hoihow 8th March, General—Johsen & Co.
KWANGLEE, Chinese str., 10th March—Canton—LOONGKANG, British str., 1092, S. J. Payne, 10th March—Shanghai 6th March, Sugar and Wood—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MATILDA KOEHLER, Ger. str., 1847, Dabbern, 10th March—Moji 3rd March, Coal—Johsen & Co.
NORE, British str., 4179, G. Philipps, 10th March—Yokohama 24th Feb. General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
PREMPENH, British str., 1069, J. H. Scott, 10th March—Singapore 5th March, Rice and General—Chinese.
PROMETHEUS, British str., 3593, Moir, 9th March—Amoy 8th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
SAMSEN, German str., 994, F. Schmetz, 10th March—Bangkok 3rd March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
STETTIN, British str., 1396, Sangster, 10th March—Singapore 3rd March, Kerosene—George McLean & Co.
WAIRING, British str., 10th March—Canton.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 10th March.
Asahi Maru, Jap. str., for Kutchinon.
Asia, Russian str., for Tsingtau.
Chongqing, British str., for Swatow.
Hailan, French str., for Hoihow.
Hyson, British str., for Yokohama.
J. Diederichsen, Ger. str., for Swatow.
Prometheus, British str., for Liverpool.
Stettin, British str., for Fouchow.
Yutking, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

10th March.
CLARA JENSEN, German str., for Haiphong.
CHOISING, German str., for Swatow.
EMPIRE, British str., for Kobe.
HAIYUN, British str., for Swatow.
HANYAN, British str., for Canton.
KWANGTAI, Chinese str., for Canton.
PRINCESS ALICE, German str., for Europe.
RIGLI, American str., for Manila.
SHIRI MARU, Jap. str., for Kobe.
SIGNAL, German str., for Swatow.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

March 10th.
AMERDEEN DOCK—
KWLOON DOCK—Tartar, Dilly, Lika, Errol, Venus, H.M.S. Robin, H.M.S. Otter.
COMMERCIAL DOCK—Alma.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

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 This Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, and is installed throughout with Electric Light, and carries a duly certified Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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 Hongkong, 24th February, 1909. [378]

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 Hongkong, 4th March, 1909. [418]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h" midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & C. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	MACEDONIA	Brit. str.	—	C. D. Bennett	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 26th inst. at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	T. Darke	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 25th inst.
LONDON & HULL	GLENROY	Brit. str.	k. w.	M. Ballow	MCGREGOR BROS. & CO.	On 29th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DORMUND	Ger. str.	—	Kolste	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 23rd inst.
LARVE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Lancelotti	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 13th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	JULYRIA	Ger. str.	—	C. H. Butler	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 5th April.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	TOLEMAE	Fr. str.	—	R. Takada	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst. at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CATHAY	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 31st inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	GLAMORGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. Thompson	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 20th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	ATSUTA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Rud. Meyer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 10th April.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KLEIST	Ger. str.	—	H. Bednarz	MELCHERS & Co.	On 24th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	VORWAERTS	Aus. str.	—	Lorenzon	SANDER, WIEBER & Co.	On 24th inst.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	ALBENGA	Ger. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 18th inst.
NEW YORK	GHAEZE	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About 12th inst.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. C. A. Hall	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 13th inst. at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	—	T. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th May, at Noon.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	GYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	K. Kawara	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN, &c.	TOLEMAE	Jap. str.	—	N. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst. at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	SHINANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	Iseki	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst. at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	P. T. Helms	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 19th inst. at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst. at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	1 m.	G. W. Eddy	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th April, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—	R. Smith	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th April, at 4 P.M.
TOLEMAE	TOTOMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	N. Mathieson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KANAGAWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Jurriancse	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 20th inst. at D'light
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. Hooker	MELCHERS & Co.	On 17th inst. at Noon.
JAPAN	TILIWONG	Dan. str.	—	Richard	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	Quick despatch.
TIENTSIN	ARIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Stewart	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 8th inst.
SHANGHAI VIA FOOCHEW	RUEICHOV	Brit. str.	—	E. v. Binzer	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 13th inst. at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	WAIRING	Brit. str.	—	E. W. Bruce	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	CHINWA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Bruno	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	About 13th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ARRATON APCAR	Ger. str.	1 m.	J. D. Andrews	MELCHERS & Co.	About 12th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	Schwabacher	MELCHERS & Co.	On 14th inst. at D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SUMATRA	Brit. str.	—	Hildebrandt	MELCHERS & Co.	About 13th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CHENAN	Brit. str.	—	P. J. van Emmerick	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 14th inst. at D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CALENDON	Brit. str.	—	Ijichi	MELCHERS & Co.	About 13th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TRANQUEBAR	Dan. str.	—	H. Murayama	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DELHI	Brit. str.	k. w.	de Brouwer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 19th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	J. S. Ronch	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 23rd inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FOOKANG	Ger. str.	k. w.	Monkman	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 31st inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	—	P. J. van Emmerick	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SHOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Murayama	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 17th inst. at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	JOSEPH MARU	Jap. str.	—	de Brouwer	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 14th inst. at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TOLEMAE	Jap. str.	—	J. S. Ronch	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TIENTSIN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Hodgins	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst. at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HAIYANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	Splink	DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.	On 16th inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HUPH	Brit. str.	1 m.	Jameson	DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.	On 14th inst. at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SINGAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	P. H. Rolfe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	B. Rodgers	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 16th inst. at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ZAPHO	Brit. str.	—	S. J. Payne	SHEWAN TOMES & Co.	On 13th inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	R. W. Almond	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 16th inst. at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	LOONGKANG	Brit. str.	—	A. W. Outerbridge	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 19th inst. at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	RUH	Brit. str.	—	F. Semblil	SHEWAN TOMES & Co.	On 20th inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	B. Kon	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst. at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BOERNE	Ger. str.	—	E. J. Bull	MELCHERS & Co.	Beginning of April.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YKOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 3 P.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. v. BENZER	15th Saturday, 13th March.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. ISEKE	Thursday, 25th March, at 5 P.M.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"KLEIST" Capt. RUD. MEYER	Wed. day, 24th March, at Noon.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMEILL	Beginning of April.

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1909. 5

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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, SUMATRA, MOJI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	Capt. E. W. Bruce	About 12th March	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELHI	About 19th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	MACEDONIA	Neon, 20th March	See Special Advertisement.

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1909.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	"HUPEH"	On 11th March, 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 11th March, 4 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY, and CHINGKIANG	"TIENSIN"	On 12th March, 4 P.M.
TIENSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 13th March, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 14th March, 11 A.M.
PAKHOI and HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 16th March, 10 A.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 16th March, 3 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 23rd March, 3 P.M.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Thursday, 11th March, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI via FOCHOW	"WAISHING"	Thursday, 11th March, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 12th March, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 19th March, 4 P.M.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
TSINGTAU and VLADIVOSTOK	"ASIA"	About 8th March.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN and ST. PETERSBURG	"CATHAY"	About 20th March.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBÉ	"TRANQUEBAR"	About Mid. of March.

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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE	TAMBA MARU	6134	WEDNESDAY, 17th March, at Daylight
PORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	INABA MARU	6189	WEDNESDAY, 31st March, at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI	TOSA MARU	5827	TUESDAY, 16th March, at Noon
MOIKOBE, YOKKAICHI, and YOKOHAMA	SHINANO MARU	6388	TUESDAY, 30th March, at Noon
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU	5539	FRIDAY, 19th March, at Noon
KOBÉ	KUMANO MARU	5076	FRIDAY, 16th April, at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	TOTOMI MARU	4132	SATURDAY, 13th March, at Noon
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	KANAGAWA MARU	5076	WEDNESDAY, 17th March, at Noon
KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	YEBOSHI MARU	3798	THURSDAY, 18th March, at Noon
	KANAGAWA MARU	6169	SATURDAY, 20th March, at Daylight

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S.S. SILEZIA	12th April
S.S. SUBYIA	18th April
S.S. SCANDIA	27th April
S.S. SENEGBAMBIA	10th May
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S.S. SAXONIA	13th March.
FOR ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:	
S.S. DORTMUND	22nd March.
FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:	
S.S. JLLYRIA	5th April.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1909.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	"CALEDONIE"	About 16th March.
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	"TOURANE"	On 16th March, 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	"ERNEST SIMONS"	On 29th March, 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"NERA"	On 30th March, 1 P.M.

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AMARA, British str. 1,565, Matook, 3rd Mar.		Feb.—ourabaya 21st Jan. and Samarang 2nd Feb. Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
Wakamatsu 25th Feb. Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.		
ARIAKE MARU, Japanese str. 2,183, T. Otta, 6th Mar.		Moji 28th March, Coal—itsui Bussan Kaisha.
ABRATON APCAR, British str. 2,931, A. Stewart, 8th March		Calcutta and Singapore 2nd March, General—David Sassoon & Co.
ASIA, Russian str. 1,000, Ausen, 5th March		Swatow 4th Mar. Ballast—Melchers & Co.
Chowfa, German str. 1,55, A. C. Behr, 9th March		Bangkok and Swatow 8th March, Rice—N.D.L.
CHOYSANG, British str. 1,424, A. E. Sandback, 7th March		Shanghai 2nd and Swatow 6th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CLARA JEBSEN, Ger. str. 1,112, J. Bendixen, 7th March		Haiphong 2nd and Hoihow 5th March, Rice—Jensen & Co.
DAIVA MARU, Japanese str. 1,735, Kabayashi, 8th March		Wakamatsu 3rd March, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
EMPRESS OF INDIA, British str. 3,032, E. Beetham, 20th Feb.		Vancouver 23rd Jan. General—C. P. R. Co.
ERBOLL, British str. 2,889, L. James, 28th February		Bangkok 21st Feb. Ballast—Dodwell & Co.
HAILAN, French str. 377, Hoeg, 9th March		Hoihow 7th Mar. General—A. R. Marty.
HANYANG, British str. 1,287, Trowbridge, 9th March		Dalny and Chefoo 4th March, Bulk and Beans—Butterfield & Swire.
HELIPOLIS, British str. 3,097, Martan, 5th March		Chingkiang 27th Feb. Ballast—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.
HILARY, German str. 1,756, Hatje, 8th March		Sourabaya 19th March, Sugar—Sander, Wieler & Co.
HOPKING, British str. 1,350, Jas. M. Hay, 6th March		Samarang & Sourabaya 23rd Feb. Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HUPEH, British str. 1,205, Mathias, 8th March		Haiphong and Hoihow 7th Mar. General—Butterfield & Swire.
HYSON, British str. 4,232, I. A. Davies, 9th March		Liverpool 29th Jan. via Singapore 5th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
JACOB DISCHENBERG, German str. 623, A. Hansen, 9th March		Hoihow 7th Mar. General—Jensen & Co.
JOHANNES, German str. 952, J. J. Jansen, 9th March		Dalny and Singapore 2nd March, General—Jensen & Co.
KUMANG, British str. 2,077, E. J. Buller, 1st March		Calcutta via Singapore 23rd Feb. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KWANGLEE, Chinese str. 1,468, Froberg, 5th March		Shanghai 2nd March, General—Chinese.
KWANGTAH, Chinese str. 1,556, W. H. Lant, 9th March		Shanghai 6th March, General—Chinese.
LOCKSTUN, German str. 1,657, W. Faubert, 7th March		Bangkok 26th February, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
MABIE JEBSEN, German str. 1,355, Pedersen, 7th March		Saigon 25th February, Rice—Jensen & Co.
NANSHAN, British str. 1,223, Allan Jones, 6th March		Bangkok and Swatow 5th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
QUAKTA, German str. 1,146, Madsen, 5th March		Sourabaya 14th Feb., Sugar—Java-China-Japan Line.
TELEMACRUS, Brit. str. 1,340, Edwards, 2nd March		Saigon 26th February, Rice—Chinese.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

Correspondence for EUROPE, via SIBERIA, is forwarded from HONGKONG by all vessels sailing for SHANGHAI.

Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dainy and Siberia.

18th March	at 8.15 p.m.
26th March	at 11.45 a.m.
1st April	at 8.15 p.m.
9th April	at 10.45 a.m.
15th April	at 8.15 p.m.

The Public are informed that the Cash on Delivery service from the United Kingdom to Hongkong commenced on the 1st of February 1909.

The *Prinz Ludwig*, with the German mail left Singapore on Monday, the 8th inst., at 9 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The *Caledonia*, with the French mail of the 12th February, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 16th inst. This packet brings cables to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 9th January.

FOR	PER	DATE
Haiphong	Huoh	Thursday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Kuoi Tai	Thursday, 11th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kumang	Thursday, 11th, 2.00 P.M.
Chafon and Newchwang	Kyeld	Thursday, 11th, 3.00 P.M.
Foochow and Shanghai	Waishing	Thursday, 11th, 3.30 P.M.
Shanghai	Chinhua	Thursday, 11th, 5.00 P.M.
Haiphong and Pakhoi	Kuohing	Friday, 12th, 9.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Huoh	Friday, 12th, 11.0 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Huoh	Friday, 12th, 11.00 A.M.
Quang Choy Wan, Haiphong, Pakhoi and	Huoh	Friday, 12th, 11.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Arratoon Apca	Friday, 12th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Sui Tai	Friday, 12th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Tientin	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Chingking	Tientin	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Yuenang	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Yokohama, Kobe and Moji	Tihwang	Friday, 12th, 3.00 P.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang Soerabaya and	Quarta	Friday, 12th, 4.00 P.M.
Macassar	Quarta	Friday, 12th, 4.00 P.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER, (B.C.)
(Supplementary mail will be closed on board at 6.30 a.m., extra fee 10 cents)

Empress of India

FOR	PER	DATE
Haiphong	Huoh	Saturday, 13th, 9.00 A.M.
Durban	Helopolis	Saturday, 13th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Zafro	Saturday, 13th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	Sui Tai	Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Mathilde Koerner	Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Kueichow	Saturday, 13th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Huoh	Sunday, 14th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Chenau	Sunday, 14th, 9.00 A.M.
Pakhoi and Haiphong	Singan	Tuesday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Huoh	Tuesday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle	Tosa Maru	Tuesday, 16th, 10.00 A.M.

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COMMERCIAL.

EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATION.

		March 10th.
ON LONDON —		
Telegraphic Transfer	1/83	
Bank Bills, on demand	1/64 1/2	
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/63	
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/62 1/2	
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/61	
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1/61 1/2	
ON PARIS —		
Bank Bills, on demand	2184	
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2222	
ON GERMANY —		
On demand	1773	
ON NEW YORK —		
Bank Bills, on demand	42 1/2	
Credits, at 60 days' sight	43 1/2	
ON BOMBAY —		
Telegraphic Transfer	130 1/2	
Bank, on demand	130 1/2	
ON CALCUTTA —		
Telegraphic Transfer	130 1/2	
Bank, on demand	130 1/2	
ON SHANGHAI —		
Bank, at sight	75	
Private, 30 days' sight	76 1/2	
ON YOKOHAMA — On demand	82 1/2	
ON MANILA — On demand	85	
ON SINGAPORE — On demand	74 1/2	
ON VIENNA — On demand	104 1/2	
ON HAIPOONG — On demand	142 1/2	pm
ON SAIGON — On demand	14 1/2	pm
ON BANGKOK — On demand	88 1/2	
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.35	
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$59.90	
HAR SILVER, per oz.	23 1/2	